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INTRODUCTION.

IN placing the CANADIAN PHILATELIST before the public we doubt our ability to excel, but will endeavor to provide a good reliable publication, and one that we trust will meet with the approval of all. We beg to inform those interested in its welfare that we shall do all in our power to make the PHILATELIST a first-class journal, devoted exclusively to the interests of stamp collecting. Whether we shall succeed depends largely upon the encouragement we receive. Our columns are open to all, and we would be pleased to receive original contributions pretaining to our hoby at all times. It is our intention to furnish our readers with a chronicle of all postage stamp issuing countries. We also, open an exchange department free to every body. With these concluding remarks we respectfully place our paper before you, trusting that it meets with the support we anticipate.

PHILATELY.

Is not philately on the decline? By no means. To-day Philately is an established institution throughout the civilized world. Trade in postage stamps forms a regular branch of business, and dealers will tell us to-day that their business was never so good

before, and is steadily increasing. True, a great many of the little boys who used to beseige our Post Offices, and pester every outcomer with their "Please, sir, give me that stamp," have fallen out of the ranks, and gone back to their proper sphere of amusements marbles and top spinning. True, also, that a great many persons who collected because it was fashionable, have tired of the pursuit and are now paying their most exclusive and languid attention to something more suitable to the turn of their frivolous mind; but for every one such useless soldiers our army lose, we receive two earnest collectors, gentlemen and ladies, who gather stamps for the love of it, persons who take pride in their pursuit, and are determined to follow it out.

When stamp collecting was in its infancy, its friends, like those of every babe, cast about for a name for the newly-born child. It was decided to call it Philately. The word is derived from two Greek words, PHILO meaning "lover of," and TELOS, meaning "tax." Thus we get Philately, which literally means "tax lover," or "lover of taxes." Yet very few of us admit that we are especially fond of taxes; but we *do* love the little labels which represent them.

Later Philatelical Writers, however, found fault with this name and offered us something, which they claim better, the word Timbrophily. It is made up of the French TIMBRE, meaning "Stamp," and the Greek PHILEO, meaning "to love." Thus we get "to love Stamp."

"Timbrophily" has sunk into oblivion, and it is as well so, for we never liked the word as well as Philately. It does not sound as well, it is not so easily pronounced and I do not believe it would ever have been as popular. Philately was first proposed and answers the purpose very well indeed. We are quite satisfied with it

and shall not discard it until its opponents offer a better substitute than Timbrophily.

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H. E. FRENCH.

Registration Stamps

--OF THE--

UNITED STATES of COLUMBIA.

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This series of the postal stamps of the United States of Columbia form an interesting department, and will repay careful study. According to an Act passed by the Postal authorities in 1861, authorizing a set of stamps to be issued to denote payment for registration fees. A year later, in the early part of July, they were printed and delivered to the numerous Post Offices.

Two distict types were issued, one having a large letter "R." in the centre of a circle enclosed by a large star, and the other with a large letter "A." within a wreath. The stamps were cut square, lithographed on white wove paper, Imperf. I have seen a few of the first type differing in some minor points, but have never seen an explanation of what they really are, nor have they been catalogued. Only one value was printed, 5 cent blacks, for both types. Although not a very rare stamp, they are counterfeited to some extent by a firm in Germany, and from whom I recently received a lot. They were finely executed, but one could tell at a second glance they were bogus, on account of the poor paper used.

These stamps done service for five years, and in 1870, a new set was ordered to be prepared ; in the same year they were printed.

Like the first they had either a large " A." or " R." in the centre. Lined ground, with circle inscribed : " Anotacion " or " Registro." Lithographed on wove paper, different colors. Imperf. I have seen but two varieties of this issue, although Maj. Evans describes a third

1st. variety, vertical lines in centre, black.

2nd. variety, horizontal lines in circle, black and white.

In 1877, the dies were re cut, and used till 1881, when another variety was prepaared. This consisted of arms and branches in a circular frame, printed, " E. E. U. U. De Columbia 10 cs. Recomendada 10 cs." and typhographed on very thin white wove paper. Imperf. [Counterfeits of this issue have been put in circulation. Very good, but on heavier paper.

In 1883 a new type appeared, somewhat similar in design to the above. Large " R." in oval frame worded—as last issue, value beneath, and surrounded by a rectangle with a back ground composed of wave lines. The letters " U. P U." at the top, and a blank line at the bottom for the number, or check. Printed on colored paper. The value of issue was 10 c , red on yellow. *Stampie.*

Passing over the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, a short time since, as the mail was thrown off at one of the stations, it was picked up by a negro boy, fifteen or sixteen years old, who took it on his shoulder and started for the post office. After proceeding for a short distance he was met by a gentleman followed by a dog. As the dog passed, the darkey gave him a kick, which the gentleman resented by seizing him by the coat collar, and giving him a thorough shaking. As soon as the poy recovered from his process he turned upon the agitator, and said, "Look-a-here, massa, you'd better be keerful how you shakes dis chile, cos when you shakes me you shakes de whole United States". "I carries de mail !"

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We call special attention to the exchange department of this paper, under which heading notices of exchange may be inserted free to everybody. We want all our friends to make good use of this opportunity, and fully expect that this department will grow to be in time one of the most interesting features of this journal.

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The *Germantown Philatelist* is to be resumed with Mr. von Utassy as manager.

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The *Keystone State Philatelist* has suspended and the *Quaker City Philatelist* assumes the subscription list.

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The *British American Philatelic Advertiser* is to appear from this town soon. It being the first paper of its kind published in America, having a free circulation. We wish it success.

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Mr. Mekeel has disposed of the *Philatelic Journal of America* to a Stock Company. He still holds a controlling interest, but his business affairs will not permit him to give the time necessary to the journal. This paper has just completed its third volume

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The American Philatelic papers seem to be greatly worried about their 2 cent stamp.

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The business of the late L. W. Durbin will be carried on under the name of Durbin stamp Company for the benefit of his family

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CHRONICLE.

Br. Bechuanaland —The following have been issued of the same type as those lately described; 2d., 4d. lilac, 2s., 2s.6d., 5s., 10s green. Also the following issues of Great Britain, surcharged in black. Adhesive ½d. vermillion, Post card 1d., Wrappers ½ and 1d., and Registry envelopes 2d., three sizes.

Brazil —There is a new 50 reis letter card. Head on horizontally lined ground.

Bulgaria—The 5st. card now has "Poschtenska" instead of "Otbopeho".

Canada—It has been reported that the plate of the 2c. stamp has been reengraved. The stamp on the reply paid card has been slightly altered.

Ceylon—Mr. Rusbridge has sent us the new 15c. stamp. It resembles the 25c. and 28c. and the olive green (c c 37). The *P. J of A* says there will be two new surcharges, 2c. on 4c. and 20c. on (?)

Dutch Indies—The numeral in the 1c. stamp is now *Italic.*

Faridkot—The *Ph R.* reports a new issue of the second type, in black as well as in blue, and the *I. B. J.* has the third type, in vermilion.

French Colonies—*Der. Ph* reports a letter card. 25c. black on rose

Hayti—A new series has just been issued ; we have seen only the 1c. 2c. and 5c. They bear the portrait of the president in an oval, with "Haiti" above and value below, both in figures and letters. In the two upper corners are also the figures of value, 1c. lake (c. c. 134), 2c. lilac (c. c. 68), 5c. green (c. c. 27). White paper, no watermarks, perf. 14.

Holland—Letter cards are reported.

Honduras—New stamps are to be issued Jan 1. from ½c. to 2 pesos.

Hungary—The 3kr. letter card is now green on gray.

Lagos—The 1½d. card measures 138x88, and there is a 1½x1½ card, red brown on buff.

Mexico—The 8c. and 10c. are now red.

Nepaul—There is a native post card 3½ pies, black and red on pale brown, thick paper.

Newfoundland—The 1c. is now green (c. c. 33), 2c. orange (c. c. 5), 3c. brown (c. c. 80), 10c. black. The latter is of a new design, somewhat resembling the 13c.

New Zealand—There is an official stamp, without value, black on white. A crown and the words "Postage—Free" are in a rectangular Greek frame.

Roumania—The 10 bani. unpaid letter stamp are now green.

St. Lucia—There are two bands, ½ d. dark green and 1d. carmine both on buff paper. The stamp has head in circle.

Sweden—We hear of wrappers and letter cards.

Tolima—The 6c. comes in 5 or 6 shades, and the 50c. green is in two types, differing in the figures in the angles.

United States—We have received an envelope of the July 1884 issue, size 4½, white paper with the stamp printed in lake.

Uruguay—There is a new 10c. stamp with numeral in the center is a circle and "Diez" four times repeated. "Republica Oriental" above and "Del Uruguay" below. Violet on white and rouletted.

Venezuela—The 25c. brown (Correos) and 25c. orange (Escuelas) are now lithographed.

C. P. A. NOTES.

The ballots of the C. P. A., for the election of officers are now being sent out by the Sec'y. Mr. Jno. R. Hooper. The votes will be counted on Jan. 31, and then the suspense will be over. Whether elected to an office or not, let us all unite to make the C. P. A. a friendldly rival of our big sister over the border.

The C. P. A. now numbers 107. Whoop'er up.

Who is to be president? Hechler or Ketcheson?

Mr. Hooper has withdrawn his name for the Secretaryship. Mr Leighton, who has helped the former considerable in organizing, will likely be elected, as there are no other nominations.

Canadensis.

CORRESPONDENTS.

In this department we desire our readers to express their views on the various questions relating to Philately. Should anyone wish to have any point explained, upon which their mind is not quite clear, we shall be glad to insert the problem in this department, and in the next number will inset the solution as given by our readers so that the questions will be fully answered by different parties, and from different standpoints. Those who think they can give any information on any of the subjects inquired about, are cordially invited to give their ideas by writing to us, mentioning the signature to the query, and the communication will be published in the next issue.

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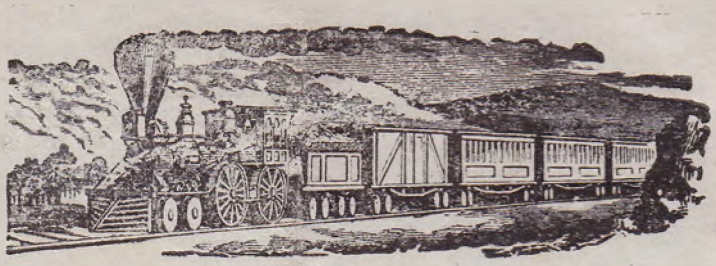

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